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In re the Patent Application of

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For: ELECTRONIC COUPON DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims.

26. (new) The method of operating an electronic coupon distribution system comprising the steps of:

collecting device information from a device of a client system without obtaining information sufficient to specifically identify the user;

associating a device /ID with the device information at a

main server system;

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54.00 CH selecting said coupon according to the device ID to

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